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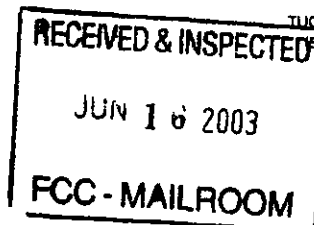
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Honorable Michael K. Powell
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Dear Chairman Powell:

It has come to my attention that some are calling on you to employ novel and questionable criteria as you work to determine whether the proposed merger between Univision Communications Inc. and Hispanic Broadcasting Corporation is in the public interest. Rest assured that there will be broad support in Congress for any decision that employs the traditional legal criteria heretofore used by the Commission.

I am particularly troubled by, 1) the suggestion that the race or ethnicity of the people seeking permission to complete a transaction should be a consideration in a public interest determination, and, 2) the notion -- one that seems to mock the First Amendment -- that the public interest standard should be used as a warrant for discrimination against broadcasters based on their real or perceived political viewpoint.

Again, I am confident that the Commission will not allow such improper considerations to intrude upon its consideration of a merger transaction. Thank you for your careful and diligent efforts on behalf of the American people.

Sincerely,

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